

## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the abstract beginning on page 14 within the following abstract:

A mechanical stop is adapted to be mounted onto a rigid bar and includes a single piece conically shaped body having a plurality of inwardly extending projections[.]. [each] Each of the inwardly extending projections have a distal end that is contoured to match an outer surface of the bar[.]. [the] The distal ends define an opening[.]. [the] The conically shaped body ~~being~~ is adapted to be plastically deformed to a substantially flat shape after being placed onto the rigid bar[.]. [the] The opening ~~having~~ includes a first dimension[, ] larger than the rigid bar[, ] prior to being plastically deformed and a second dimension[, ] smaller than the rigid bar[, ] after being plastically deformed [,.]. ~~such that after~~ After the conically shaped body is plastically deformed into a substantially flat shape, the distal ends will frictionally engage the outer surface of the rigid bar to secure the mechanical stop thereon.